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In re Application of

Hisao Hayashi

Serial No.: 09/492,521

Group Art Unit: 2624

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For: COMPACT IMAGE SCANNER CAPABLE OF READING BOTH A LIGHT-REFLECTING ARTICLE AND A LIGHT-TRANSMITTING ARTICLE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 4, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-6, 8-12, 14-18 and 20-24 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claim 1 has been amended to further clarify the invention and claim 24 has been added. Claims 1-2, 8, 14 and 21-23 are independent.